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Office of the Administrator

800 Independence Ave., S.W.
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The Honorable John D. Rockefeller IV
Chairman, Committee on Commerce,
Science, and Transportation
United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Mr. Chairman:

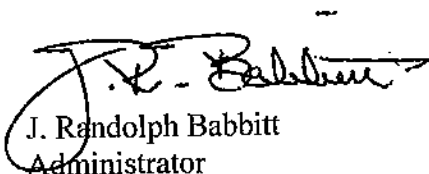
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Sincerely,



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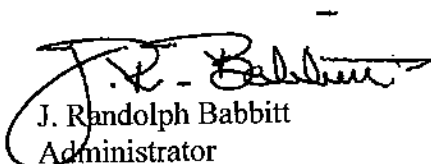
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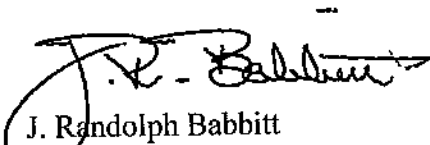
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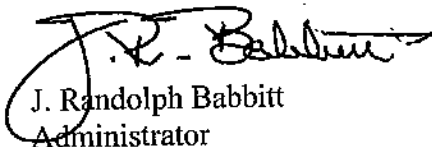
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Actual & Estimated User Fee Collections, FY 2010-2012

User Fees	FY 2010 Actual	FY 2011 Estimate	FY 2012 Estimate
(1) Civil Aviation Registry Fees	\$ 361,899	\$ 500,000	\$ 500,000
(2) Foreign Repair Station/Certification Fees	7,190,741	7,500,000	7,500,000
(3) Aeronautical Charting Fees	19,304,987	26,500,000	26,500,000
(4) Overflight Fees	50,868,779	52,000,000	54,000,000
Total User Fees	\$ 77,726,406	\$ 86,500,000	\$ 88,500,000